

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 OFA-01 L-03 INT-05 SMI-01 OIC-02

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FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4534

INFO AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

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AMEMBASSY BERN

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: SENV, BE

SUBJECT: STATUS BELGIAN RATIFIATION ENDANGERED SPECIES  
CONVENTION

REF: STATE 170560

1. MR. GEORGES ELLIOT, CHIEF OF ENVIRONMENT SERVICE, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, INFORMS US THAT INTER-MINISTERIAL EFFORT TO DRAFT PROPOSED LEGISLATION THIS SUBJECT PROCEEDING MORE SLOWLY THAN EXPECTED. CHIEF PROBLEMS ARE (A) DEFININ SPECIES MORE PRECISELY THAN DOES CONVENTION TO ENSURE THAT FLANDERS PLANT AND ANTWERP FUR TRADE NOT ADVERSELY AFFECTED; (B) DEVELOPING ADMINISTRATIVE APPARATUS FOR ENFORCEMENT. ELLIOT HOPES THAT PROPOSAL WILL BE READY FOR SUBMISSION TO PARLIAMENT WHEN IT RECONVENES IN OCTOBER. HE DOES NOT EXPECT PARLIAMENTARY PASSAGE TO BE DIFFICULT.

2. ACCORDING TO ELLIOT, BELGIUM'S EC PARTNERS ALL HAVE  
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SAME SORT OF PROBLEMS IN TRANSLATING CONVENTION INTO

WORKABLE AND POLITICALLY ACCEPTABLE LEGISLATION. HE  
SAID GOB WILL AGAIN CONSULT WITH THME WHEN IT HAS  
ITS OWN DRAFT ARRANGEMENTS WORKED OUT, TO SEE IF  
COORDINATED RATIFIATION STILL POSSIBLE. HE ASSURES US,  
HOWEVER, THAT BELGIUM WOULD NOT RPT NOT DELAY  
RATIFIATION TO WAIT FOR OTHER.  
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